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SUBJECT: US-USSR ENERGY AGREEMENT; MHD 08.0208

1. U.S. WORKING GROUP CHAIRMAN GEORGE RUDINS AND NATALY MARTIN REPORTED TO SCICOUNS MARCH 26 ON SUCCESSFUL CONCLUSION OF WORKING GROUP MEETING ON SUPERCONDUCTING MAGNET SYSTEM (SCMS), INDICATING SOVIET PREPARATIONS FOR RECEIPT OF MAGNET PROCEEDING ON SCHEDULE. RECORD OF MEETINGS DATED MARCH 26 STATES THAT, INTER ALIA, (A) SCMS IS EXPECTED TO BE SHIPPED ON OR ABOUT JUNE 1 (B) U-25 BYPASS FACILITY WILL BE USED TO CONDUCT JOINT HIGH-FIELD GENERATOR TESTS, AND SPECIFIES TYPES OF TESTS TO BE CONDUCTED AND NOTIFICATION AND PARTICIPATION OF U.S. SPECIALISTS IN TEST PROGRAM (C) THE U.S. WILL BE GIVEN REGULAR BIWEEKLY ACCESS TO THE SCMS.

2. RUDINS INDICATED HE HAD BEEN GIVEN TELEPHONIC CONFIRMATION BY ERDA MARCH 24 THAT C5A WILL BE AVAILABLE FOR TRANSPORT OF MAGNET TO MOSCOW. DAO MOSCOW IS ATTEMPTING TO CONFIRM THIS THROUGH DAO CHANNELS.

3. RUDINS STATED THAT THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION HAD GIVEN LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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CLEARANCE FOR LANDING OF C5A AT SHEREMETYEVO AIRPORT; HOWEVER, THEY ARE APPARENTLY SEEKING TO HAVE AIRCRAFT LAND AND DEPART DURING NIGHT HOURS. UPON CONFIRMATION THAT C5A WILL BE USED FOR FLIGHT, SCICOUNS AND DAO PLAN TO MAKE JOINT REPRESENTATION TO THE MINISTRY OF CIVIL AVIATION THAT FLIGHT MUST TAKE PLACE DURING DAYLIGHT HOURS PRIMARILY FOR SAFETY FACTORS AND ALSO REQUESTING ACCESS TO AIRFIELD BY EMBASSY

PERSONNEL AND WESTERN PRESS UPON ARRIVAL OF AIRCRAFT.

4. SCICOUNS INFORMED RUDINS THAT EMBASSY, IF NEED ARISES, WOULD ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR REGULAR BIWEEKLY INSPECTION OF MAGNET AT INSTITUTE OF HIGH TEMPERATURES BUT THAT THIS COULD ONLY BE DONE FOR A SHORT PERIOD UNTIL A MORE PERMANENT ARRANGEMENT IS ESTABLISHED. RUDINS INDICATED THAT HE HAD PROPOSED TO INSTITUTE DIRECTOR SHEYNDLIN THAT ERDA LIAISON SCIENTIST BE PERMANENTLY STATIONED IN MOSCOW TO PERFORM BIWEEKLY INSPECTIONS AND OTHER DUTIES. SHEYNDLIN INDICATED IT WOULD BE DIFFICULT FOR HIM TO GET PERMISSION FOR LIAISON SCIENTIST SINCE THERE HAS BEEN NO PRECEDENT FOR THIS IN ANY COOPERATIVE BILATERAL. HE SUGGESTED THAT MHD PROJECT BE TAKEN FROM THE ENERGY AGREEMENT AND BE ELEVATED TO STATUS OF A BINATIONAL AGREEMENT (ALONG THE LINES OF THE ARTIFICIAL HEART AGREEMENT) WHICH WOULD MAKE IT EASIER TO OBTAIN PERMISSION FOR LIAISON SCIENTIST TO STAY HERE.

5. COMMENT. THE EMBASSY DOES NOT BELIEVE THAT A SEPARATE MHD INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT IS EITHER NECESSARY OR DESIRABLE, AND THAT SHEYNDLIN IS PROBABLY MOTIVATED TO PUSH FOR THIS SIMPLY TO INCREASE THE STATURE OF THE MHD PROJECT AND POSSIBLY TO OBTAIN MORE FUNDS FOR IT. UPON RECEIPT OF DEPARTMENT AND ERDA CONCURRENCE, SCICOUNS PLANS TO RAISE ISSUE WITH THE ACADEMY AND SHEYNDLIN, NOTING THAT PLANS ARE WELL UNDERWAY FOR A PERMANENT LIAISON SCIENTIST TO BE STATIONED IN MOSCOW FOR THE POLYMODE PROGRAM IN THE WORLD OCEANS BILATERAL, AND THAT LONG-TERM SCIENCE EXCHANGES HAVE ALSO TAKEN PLACE UNDER THE CHEMICAL CATALYSIS PROJECT IN THE S&T AGREEMENT, AND IT IS ANTICIPATED THIS WILL BE EXTENDED TO SEVERAL OTHER WORKING GROUPS AS WELL.

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